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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

HOUSE BILL NO. 492, As Amended in the Senate

BY TRANSPORTATION AND DEFENSE COMMITTEE

AN ACT

RELATING TO VEHICLE REGISTRATION AND FEES; AMENDING SECTION 49-426, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE THE TERM "REGISTERED" WITH THE TERM "NUMBERED" AND TO MAKE A TECHNICAL CORRECTION; AMENDING SECTION 67-7008, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE REFERENCES TO REGISTRATION NUMBERS WITH REFERENCES TO CERTIFI-CATES OF NUMBER, TO PROVIDE FOR VESSEL NUMBERS AND VALIDATION STICKERS AND TO REMOVE LANGUAGE RELATING TO CERTAIN REGISTRATION FEES; AMENDING SECTION 67-7101, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A DEFINITION; AMENDING SECTION 67-7103, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR VALIDATION STICKERS AND TO PROVIDE THAT EACH SNOWMOBILE MUST BE NUMBERED BEFORE IT LEAVES THE PREMISES AT THE TIME OF SALE; AMENDING SECTION 67-7104, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE THE TERM "REGISTRATION" WITH "CERTIFICATE OF NUMBERING", TO REPLACE REF-ERENCE TO DISPLAY OF CERTIFICATES OF NUMBER WITH REFERENCE TO DISPLAY OF VALIDATION STICKERS AND TO PROVIDE FOR NONRESIDENT SNOWMOBILE USER CERTIFICATES; AMENDING SECTION 67-7106, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE THE TERM "REGISTRATION" WITH "CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER"; AMENDING SECTION 67-7108, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR APPLICATION OF LAW AND TO PROVIDE FOR A PRO-HIBITION; AMENDING SECTION 67-7112, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE THE TERM "REGISTERED" WITH THE TERM "NUMBERED"; AMENDING SECTION 67-7113, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A FINE AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SEC-TION 67-7122, IDAHO CODE, TO PROVIDE FOR NUMBER CERTIFICATES, TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO REGISTRATION, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO CERTAIN INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE SALE OF CERTAIN VEHICLES AND TO PROVIDE FOR VALIDATION STICKERS; AMENDING SECTION 67-7123, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE TRANSFER OF NUMBER CERTIFICATES AND TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO REGIS-TRATION STICKERS; AMENDING SECTION 67-7124, IDAHO CODE, TO REFERENCE NUMBER CERTIFICATES IN REGARD TO NONRESIDENT OWNERS; AMENDING SECTION 67-7125, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE THE TERM "REGISTRATION" WITH "NUMBER-ING" AND TO MAKE TECHNICAL CORRECTIONS; AMENDING SECTION 67-7126, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE REFERENCE TO REGISTRATION AND TO PROVIDE FOR NUMBER CERTIFICATES AND VALIDATION STICKERS; TO PROVIDE FOR RULES; AMENDING SECTION 67-7003, IDAHO CODE, TO REVISE A DEFINITION; AMENDING SECTION 67-7008A, IDAHO CODE, TO REMOVE A REFERENCE TO A REGISTRATION FEE AND TO PROVIDE FOR FEES FOR NUMBERED VESSELS; AMENDING SECTION 67-7010, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION WITH REFER-ENCE TO CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER AND TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO DISPLAY OF REGISTRATION NUMBER WITH REFERENCE TO DISPLAY OF VESSEL NUMBER; AMEND-ING SECTION 67-7013, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION WITH REFERENCE TO CERTIFICATES OF NUMBER; AMENDING SEC-TION 67-7014, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO REGISTERED VESSELS WITH REFERENCE TO NUMBERED VESSELS; AMENDING SECTION 67-7029, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO CERTIFICATES OF REGISTRATION WITH REF-ERENCE TO CERTIFICATES OF NUMBER AND TO PROVIDE THAT CERTAIN PERSONS AUTHORIZED TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF NUMBER SHALL BE ASSIGNED A BLOCK OF

VESSEL NUMBERS, VALIDATION STICKERS AND CERTIFICATES OF NUMBER; AMEND-ING SECTION 67-7040, IDAHO CODE, TO REPLACE REFERENCE TO CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION WITH REFERENCE TO CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER; AND PROVIDING SEVERABILITY.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Idaho:

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SECTION 1. That Section 49-426, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 49-426. EXEMPTIONS FROM OPERATING FEES. The provisions of this chapter with respect to operating fees shall not apply to:
- (1) Motor vehicles owned or leased by the United States, the state, a city, a county, any department thereof, any political subdivision or municipal corporation of the state, any taxing district of the state, any state registered nonprofit subscription fire protection unit, or any organization, whether incorporated or unincorporated, organized for the operation, maintenance, or management of an irrigation project or irrigation works or system or for the purpose of furnishing water to its members or shareholders, but in other respects shall be applicable.
- (2) Farm tractors, implements of husbandry, those manufactured homes which qualify for an exemption under the provisions of section 49-422, Idaho Code, road rollers, wheel mounted tar buckets, portable concrete and/or mortar mixers, wheel mounted compressors, tow dollies, portable toilet trailers, street sweepers, other construction equipment, forestry equipment, lawn and grounds equipment and similar devices as determined by the department which are temporarily operated or moved upon the highways need not be registered under the provisions of this chapter, nor shall implements of husbandry be considered towed units under registration of vehicle combinations as defined in section 49-108(2), Idaho Code. In addition, self-propelled wheelchairs, three-wheeled bicycles, wheelchair conveyances, golf carts, lawn mowers, and scooters operated by persons who by reason of physical disability are otherwise unable to move about as pedestrians shall be exempt from registration requirements under the provisions of this chapter. Motorcycles, motorbikes, utility type vehicles and all-terrain vehicles need not be licensed under the provisions of this chapter or registered numbered pursuant to the provisions of section 67-7122, Idaho Code, if they are being used exclusively in connection with agricultural, horticultural, dairy and livestock growing and feeding operations or used exclusively for snow removal purposes. Travel upon the public highways shall be limited to travel between farm or ranch locations. Motorcycles, motorbikes, utility type vehicles and all-terrain vehicles used for this purpose shall meet the emblem requirements of section 49-619, Idaho Code.
- (3) Any political subdivision of the state of Idaho may, but only after sufficient public notice is given and a public hearing held, adopt local ordinances or resolutions designating highways or sections of highways under its jurisdiction which are closed to all-terrain vehicles, utility type vehicles, specialty off-highway vehicles and motorbikes licensed pursuant to this chapter and registered numbered pursuant to section 67-7122, Idaho Code. The operation of licensed and registered numbered all-terrain vehicles, utility type vehicles and motorbikes and those vehicles exempt from

licensing and registration numbering pursuant to subsection (2) of this section shall not be permitted on controlled access highways. The requirements of title 18 and chapters 2, 3, 6, 8, 12, 13 and 14, title 49, Idaho Code, shall apply to the operation of any all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle or motorbike upon highways. Costs related to the posting of signs on highways or sections of highways that are closed to such vehicles, indicating the ordinance, are eligible for reimbursement through the motorbike recreation account created in section 67-7126, Idaho Code.

- (4) The Idaho transportation board may designate sections of state highways over which all-terrain vehicles, utility type vehicles, specialty off-highway vehicles and motorbikes may cross. The requirements of title 18_7 and chapters 2, 3, 6, 8, 12, 13 and 14, title 49, Idaho Code, shall apply to the operation of all-terrain vehicles, utility type vehicles, specialty off-highway vehicles and motorbikes when using designated crossings on state highways.
- (5) All-terrain vehicles, utility type vehicles, specialty off-highway vehicles and motorbikes may be used on highways located on state lands or federal lands which are not part of the highway system of the state of Idaho, provided the registration numbering requirements of section 67-7122, Idaho Code, are met.

SECTION 2. That Section 67-7008, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7008. CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION NUMBER -- EXPIRATION FEES. (1) Within fifteen (15) days after purchase, or as otherwise herein provided, the owner of each vessel requiring numbering by the state of Idaho shall file an application for registration certificate of number with an assessor or authorized vendor on forms provided by the department. The application shall be signed by the owner and shall be accompanied by the fee herein designated. Upon receipt of an application in approved form, and the appropriate fee, the assessor or authorized vendor shall enter the same upon the records of its office and issue to the applicant two (2) validation stickers and a certificate of registration stating the number issued to the vessel, the receipt of any fee paid and the name and address of the owner, and the assessor or authorized vendor shall forward to the department a duplicate copy. The owner shall also receive a vessel number that shall be permanently assigned to the boat. The owner shall paint on or permanently attach to each side of the bow of the vessel the registration vessel number and validation sticker in a manner as may be prescribed by rules of the department in order that they may be completely visible, and the number shall be maintained in legible condition. The certificate of registration number shall be pocket-size and shall be on board and available at all times for inspection on the vessel for which issued whenever that vessel is in operation, except that livery operators may have the rental agreement on board rented vessels in lieu of the certificate of registration number.
- (2) The owner of any vessel for which a current certificate of registration number has been issued pursuant to any federal law or a federally approved numbering system of another state shall, if the vessel is operated on the waters of this state in excess of sixty (60) days, make appli-

cation for a $\underline{\text{an Idaho}}$ certificate of $\underline{\text{Idaho registration}}$ $\underline{\text{number}}$ in the manner prescribed in this section.

- (3) Each assessor and authorized vendor shall record, on a form provided by the department, the names of all owners of vessels who make application for certificates of registration number, together with the amount of the fees paid by the owners. He shall, on or before the tenth of each month, forward to the department a duplicate copy of each record for the preceding month.
- (4) All records of the department made or kept pursuant to this section shall be kept current and shall be public records.
- (5) Every certificate of <u>registration number</u> issued shall continue in full force and effect through December 31 of the year of issue unless sooner terminated or discontinued in accordance with law. Certificates of <u>registration number</u> may be renewed by the owner in the same manner provided for in the initial securing of them.
- (6) The owner of any vessel shall notify the department within fifteen (15) days if his vessel is destroyed or abandoned, or is sold or transferred either wholly or in part to another person or persons or if the owner's address no longer conforms to the address appearing on the certificate of registration number. In all such cases, the notice shall be accompanied by a surrender of the certificate of registration number. When the surrender of the certificate is by reason of the vessel being destroyed, abandoned or sold, the department shall cancel the certificate and enter that fact in its records. If the surrender is by reason of a change of address on the part of the owner, the new address shall be endorsed on the certificate and the certificate returned to the owner.
- (7) Whenever the ownership of a vessel changes, the purchaser shall, within fifteen (15) days after acquisition, make application to the department for transfer to him of the certificate of registration number issued for the vessel, giving his name, address, and the vessel number of the vessel and shall, at the same time, pay to the department a transfer fee of three dollars (\$3.00). Upon receipt of the application and fee, the department shall transfer the certificate of registration number issued for the vessel to the new owner or owners. Unless the application is made and the fee paid within fifteen (15) days, the vessel shall be considered to be without a certificate of registration number.
- (8) No numbers other than the $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{validation stickers and vessel}}$ number issued to a vessel or granted by reciprocity pursuant to law shall be painted, attached, or otherwise displayed on either side of the bow of the vessel.
- (9) If any certificate of $\frac{\text{registration } \underline{\text{number}}}{\text{becomes lost}}$, mutilated, or becomes illegible, the owner of the vessel for which the same was issued shall obtain a duplicate of the certificate from the department upon application and the payment of a fee of three dollars (\$3.00). If one or both validation stickers are lost, stolen, or destroyed, any sticker remnants and the certificate of $\frac{\text{registration }}{\text{number}}$ should be returned to the department along with a three dollar (\$3.00) fee and an application for a duplicate certificate of $\frac{\text{registration }}{\text{number}}$ and validation stickers.
- (10) A person engaged in the manufacture or sale of vessels of a type otherwise required to be numbered by law, may obtain pursuant to regulations

duly promulgated by the department, certificates of registration number for use in the testing or demonstration only of a vessel upon payment of thirteen dollars (\$13.00) for each certificate. Certificates of registration number so issued may be used by the applicant in the testing or demonstration only of vessels by temporary placement of the numbers assigned by the certificates on the vessel tested or demonstrated, and shall be issued and displayed as otherwise prescribed by this chapter or by regulation of the department.

(11) The registration fees shall be:

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(a) Vessels 0-12 feet in length

Vessels over 12 feet in length

plus $2.00 per foot for each additional foot

in excess of 12 feet.

$20.00
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- (b) The registration fees for new or used vessels which have not previously been registered in Idaho shall be:
 - (i) For vessels acquired or brought into the state January 1 through March 31, the full amount of the regular fees;
 - (ii) For vessels acquired or brought into the state April 1 through June 30, seventy-five percent (75%) of the regular fees;
 - (iii) For vessels acquired or brought into the state July 1 through September 30, fifty percent (50%) of the regular fees;
 - (iv) For vessels acquired or brought into the state after September 30, twenty-five percent (25%) of the regular fees.
- (c) Each assessor and authorized vendor shall presume that any vessel is subject to the regular certificate of registration fees, unless the applicant can successfully show reasonable proof that the vessel has not previously been registered in Idaho.
- (12) The provisions of subsection (11) of this section, with respect to the amount of payment of registration fees shall not apply to vessels owned by any charitable or religious organization, scout organization or any similar organization not used and operated for profit. All vessels currently registered numbered by the state of Idaho and having paid the fees imposed by subsection (11) of this section shall not be assessed and taxed as personal property in the state of Idaho.
- (13) The registration fee for vessels owned by any charitable or religious organization, scout organization or similar organization not used and operated for profit shall be two dollars (\$2.00) per year.
- SECTION 3. That Section 67-7101, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-7101. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

- (1) "All-terrain vehicle" or "ATV" means any recreation vehicle with three (3) or more tires and fifty (50) inches or less in width, having a wheelbase of sixty-one (61) inches or less, has handlebar steering and a seat designed to be straddled by the operator.
- (2) "Board" means the park and recreation board created under authority of section 67-4221, Idaho Code.
- (3) "Bona fide snowmobile program" means services or facilities as approved by the department that will benefit snowmobilers such as snowmobile trail grooming, plowing and maintaining snowmobile parking areas and facilities, and trail signing.

(4) "Dealer" means any person who engages in the retail sales of or rental of snowmobiles, motorbikes, utility type vehicles or all-terrain vehicles.

- (5) "Department" means the Idaho department of parks and recreation.
- (6) "Designated parking area" means an area located, constructed, maintained, and signed with the approval of the land manager or owner.
- (7) "Director" means the director of the department of parks and recreation.
- (8) "Highway." (See section 40-109, Idaho Code, but excepting public roadway as defined in this section)
- (9) "Motorbike" means any self-propelled two (2) wheeled motorcycle or motor-driven cycle, excluding tractor, designed for or capable of traveling off developed roadways and highways and also referred to as trailbikes, enduro bikes, trials bikes, motocross bikes or dual purpose motorcycles.
- (10) "Off-highway vehicle" means an all-terrain vehicle, motorbike, specialty off-highway vehicle or utility type vehicle as defined in this section.
- (11) "Operator" means any person who is in physical control of a motor-bike, all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or snowmobile.
- (12) "Owner" means every person holding record title to a motorbike, all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or snowmobile and entitled to the use or possession thereof, other than a lienholder or other person having a security interest only.
- (13) "Person" means an individual, partnership, association, corporation, or any other body or group of persons, whether incorporated or not, and regardless of the degree of formal organization.
- (14) "Public roadway" means all portions of any highway which are controlled by an authority other than the Idaho transportation department.
- (15) "Snowmobile" means any self-propelled vehicle under one thousand (1,000) pounds unladened gross weight, designed primarily for travel on snow or ice or over natural terrain, which may be steered by tracks, skis, or runners.
- (16) "Specialty off-highway vehicle" means any vehicle manufactured, designed or constructed exclusively for off-highway operation that does not fit the definition of an all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle or motor-bike as defined in this section. The vehicle classification provided for in this subsection shall become effective on January 1, 2010.
- (17) "Utility type vehicle" or "UTV" means any recreational motor vehicle other than an ATV, motorbike or snowmobile as defined in this section, designed for and capable of travel over designated roads, traveling on four (4) or more tires, maximum width less than seventy-four (74) inches, maximum weight less than two thousand (2,000) pounds, and having a wheelbase of one hundred ten (110) inches or less. A utility type vehicle must have a minimum width of fifty (50) inches, a minimum weight of at least nine hundred (900) pounds or a wheelbase of over sixty-one (61) inches. Utility type vehicle does not include golf carts, vehicles specially designed to carry a disabled person, implements of husbandry as defined in section 49-110(2), Idaho Code, or vehicles otherwise registered under title 49, Idaho Code. A "utility type vehicle" or "UTV" also means a recreational off-highway vehicle or ROV.

(18) "Vendor" means any entity authorized by the department to sell recreational registrations certificates of number.

- (19) "Winter recreational parking locations" means designated parking areas established and maintained with funds acquired from the cross-country skiing account.
- SECTION 4. That Section 67-7103, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 67-7103. APPLICATION FOR NUMBER -- ATTACHMENT OF NUMBER VALIDATION STICKERS -- CERTIFICATE -- APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF CERTIFICATE -- TRANS-FER OF CERTIFICATE FEE -- TEMPORARY NUMBER -- FEES. (1) On or before November 1 of each year the owner of each snowmobile requiring numbering by the state of Idaho shall file an application for number with the department on forms approved by it. The application shall be signed by the owner and shall, except as provided in subsection (7) of this section, be accompanied by a fee of thirty-one dollars (\$31.00). Upon receipt of the application the department shall issue to the applicant a certificate of number stating the number assigned to the snowmobile and the name and address of the owner. The owner shall attach to the snowmobile the identification number validation sticker in a manner as may be prescribed by rules of the department. The number validation sticker shall be located on the right and left side of the cowling of the snowmobile and shall be completely visible and shall be maintained in legible condition. The certificate of number shall be pocket size and shall be available at all times for inspection on the snowmobile for which issued, wherever the snowmobile is in operation.
- (2) The department may issue any certificate of number directly or may authorize any persons to act as vendor for the issuance. In the event a person accepts the authorization, he may be assigned a block of numbers validation stickers and certificates of number which upon issue, in conformity with this chapter and with any rules of the department, shall be valid as if issued directly by the department.
- (3) All records of the department made or kept pursuant to this section shall be public records.
- (4) Each snowmobile must be registered numbered before it leaves the premises at the time of sale from any retail snowmobile dealer.
- (5) The purchaser of a snowmobile shall, within fifteen (15) days immediately after acquisition, make application to the department for transfer to him of the certificate of number issued to the snowmobile, giving his name, address and the number of the snowmobile and shall at the same time pay to the department a fee of three dollars (\$3.00). Upon receipt of the application and fee, the department shall transfer the certificate of number issued for the snowmobile to the new owner or owners. Unless the application is made and fee paid within fifteen (15) days, the snowmobile shall be considered to be without a certificate of number and it shall be unlawful for any person to operate that snowmobile until the certificate is issued.
- (6) No number other than the <u>number validation stickers</u> issued to a snowmobile pursuant to this chapter shall be painted, attached, or otherwise displayed on the snowmobile, except a temporary number may be attached to identify a snowmobile for the purpose of racing or other sporting events.

(7) Resident and nonresident owners of snowmobiles used for rental purposes shall purchase $\frac{\text{certificates of number } \text{validation stickers}}{\text{certificates of number } \text{validation stickers}}$ for sixty-one dollars (\$61.00) and the $\frac{\text{certificates of number } \text{validation stickers}}{\text{cers}}$ shall be displayed on the machine at all times.

SECTION 5. That Section 67-7104, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7104. NONRESIDENT SNOWMOBILE USER CERTIFICATE REQUIRED. The owner of a nonresident, noncommercial snowmobile shall not be required to comply with the registration certificate of numbering requirements of the state of Idaho, but shall be required to obtain a nonresident snowmobile user certificate. A fee of thirty-one dollars (\$31.00) shall be imposed for the issuance of a nonresident snowmobile user certificate. The certificate of number validation stickers shall be displayed in the same manner as provided in section 67-7103, Idaho Code. Such Nonresident snowmobile user certificates shall be valid beginning November 1 through October 31 of the following year. Issuance and administration of nonresident snowmobile user certificates shall be conducted in the same manner as provided in section 67-7103, Idaho Code, for numbering of snowmobiles.
- (1) For purposes of this section, "nonresident" shall be as defined in section 36-202, Idaho Code.
- (2) In the absence of a bona fide program in the area or upon the request of the bona fide county snowmobile advisory committee of the nearest affected county in Idaho, the requirements for the nonresident <u>snowmobile user</u> certificate may be waived by the parks and recreation board on specific trails where the snowmobile trail grooming is solely supported by a state other than Idaho.

SECTION 6. That Section 67-7106, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7106. DISTRIBUTION OF MONEYS COLLECTED -- COUNTY SNOWMOBILE FUND -- STATE SNOWMOBILE FUND -- STATE SNOWMOBILE SEARCH AND RESCUE FUND. (1) Each vendor shall not later than the fifteenth day of each month remit all moneys collected under the provisions of sections 67-7103 and 67-7104, Idaho Code, to the state treasurer for credit to the state snowmobile fund, established in the dedicated fund, to be administered by the director, except that one dollar (\$1.00) from each snowmobile certificate of number fee, one dollar (\$1.00) from each rental certificate of number fee, and one dollar (\$1.00) from each nonresident snowmobile user certificate issued by the vendor shall be credited by the state treasurer to the state snowmobile search and rescue fund created in section 67-2913A, Idaho Code.
- (2) Each county with a bona fide snowmobile program shall be entitled to receive from the department eighty-five percent (85%) of the moneys generated for that county during that registration certificate of number period. Counties with a bona fide snowmobile program may use up to fifteen percent (15%) of their county snowmobile moneys upon recommendation by their county snowmobile advisory committee for snowmobile law enforcement purposes.
- (3) Up to fifteen percent (15%) of the revenue generated from snowmobile $\frac{15\%}{100}$ certificates of number each year may be used by the de-

partment to defray administrative costs. Any moneys unused at the end of the fiscal year shall be returned to the state treasurer for deposit in the state snowmobile fund.

- (4) Vendors shall be entitled to charge an additional one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) handling fee per registration certificate of number for the distribution of certificates of number. Handling fees collected by the department shall be deposited to the state snowmobile fund.
- (5) For those <u>registrations</u> <u>certificates of number</u> not designated to a bona fide county snowmobile program, the moneys generated shall be deposited to the state snowmobile fund, and such fund shall be available to the department for snowmobile-related expenses.
- SECTION 7. That Section 67-7108, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 67-7108. PROHIBITION AGAINST NUMBERING BY POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. The provisions of this chapter shall govern the numbering and registration of snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, motorbikes, specialty off-highway vehicles and utility type vehicles operated in this state. All political subdivisions of the state are expressly prohibited from numbering or registering snowmobiles, all-terrain vehicles, motorbikes, specialty off-highway vehicles and utility type vehicles in any respect.
- SECTION 8. That Section 67-7112, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 67-7112. GROOMED SNOWMOBILE TRAILS. Any all-terrain vehicle operating on groomed snowmobile trails during the winter snowmobiling season when the trails are groomed shall be registered numbered as a snowmobile under the provisions of section 67-7103, Idaho Code. Counties shall have the option to allow all-terrain vehicles, if registered numbered, to use snowmobile trails in the county. No other vehicles shall operate on groomed snowmobile trails unless specifically allowed by the county. Violation of the provisions of this section shall be an infraction.
 - SECTION 9. That Section 67-7113, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
 - 67-7113. VIOLATIONS -- ACCOUNTABLE FOR PROPERTY DAMAGE. (1) Any person who violates any provision of sections 67-7102 through section 67-7112, Idaho Code, shall be guilty of an infraction, and shall be punished by a fine of not less than ten fifty dollars (\$150.00) nor more than one hundred dollars (\$100). In addition thereto, the operator and/or owner of the snow-mobile shall be responsible and held accountable to the owner of any lands where trees, shrubs or other property have been damaged as the result of travel over their premises.
- SECTION 10. That Section 67-7122, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

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REQUIREMENTS -- REGISTRATION -- PROCEDURE APPLICATION FOR 67-7122. CERTIFICATE OF NUMBER -- ATTACHMENT OF VALIDATION STICKERS -- CERTIFICATE --FEES. (1) On or before January 1 of each year, the owner of any all-terrain vehicle, motorbike, specialty off-highway vehicle or utility type vehicle as defined in section 67-7101, Idaho Code, or any motorcycle as defined in section 49-114, Idaho Code, used off public highways, on highways located on state lands or federal lands which are not part of the highway system of the state of Idaho or on highways as prescribed in section 49-426(3) and (4), Idaho Code, but excluding those vehicles used exclusively on private land for agricultural use or used exclusively for snow removal purposes as provided in section 49-426(2), Idaho Code, shall register obtain a number certificate for that vehicle at any vendor authorized by the department. Effective January 1, 2010, a fee of twelve dollars (\$12.00) shall be charged for each registration number certificate, which fee includes a one dollar and fifty cent (\$1.50) fee to be retained by the vendor and the remainder of which shall be remitted to the department together with a duplicate copy of the application form, information noting the number of the registration sticker certificate issued, the identity of the owner that purchased the number certificate, the owner's designated county use area and the type of machine to which the owner will affix the certificate of number, e.g., motorbike, all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle or specialty off-highway vehicle. The foregoing shall not prohibit the department from collecting such further information as it may deem necessary or helpful to its administrative duties under this chapter.

- (2) At the time of sale from any dealer, each motorbike, all-terrain vehicle or utility type vehicle sold to an Idaho resident, but excluding those vehicles to be used exclusively on private land for agricultural use or used exclusively for snow removal purposes as provided in section 49-426(2), Idaho Code, must be registered obtain a number certificate.
 - (a) Application blanks and $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{validation}}$ stickers shall be supplied by the department and the $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{validation}}$ sticker shall be issued to the person making application for $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{registration}}$ number certificate.
 - (b) All registration stickers which number certificates that are issued shall be in force through December 31 of the issued year. All registration stickers number certificates shall be renewed by the owner of the all-terrain vehicle, motorbike, specialty off-highway vehicle or utility type vehicle in the same manner provided for in the initial securing of the same or with any vendor authorized by the department. A vendor issuing a renewal registration sticker number certificate shall retain a one dollar and fifty cent (\$1.50) vendor fee and remit the remainder of the twelve dollar (\$12.00) renewal registration sticker number certificate fee to the department together with a duplicate copy of the application form, noting the number of the registration sticker issued information noting the number of the certificate issued, the identity of the owner that purchased the number certificate, the owner's designated county use area, and the type of machine to which the owner will affix the validation stickers, e.g., motorbike, all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle or specialty off-highway vehicle. The foregoing shall not prohibit the department from collecting such

 additional information as it may deem necessary or helpful to its administrative duties under this chapter.

- (c) The issued registration validation sticker shall be placed upon the restricted vehicle license plate of the all-terrain vehicle, motorbike or utility type vehicle, or upon the right fork of a vehicle registered pursuant to section 49-402(3), Idaho Code, or of a motorbike if used exclusively off-highway, or upon the rear fender of an all-terrain vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or utility type vehicle if used exclusively off-highway. The placement shall be made in such a manner that it is completely visible, does not cover the license plate numbers or letters, if licensed, and shall be kept in a legible condition at all times.
- (3) For operation of a motorbike that meets the requirements specified in section $49-114\,(10)$, Idaho Code, on the public highways, the vehicle shall also be registered pursuant to the provisions of section $49-402\,(3)$, Idaho Code. A motorbike that meets the requirements specified in section $49-114\,(10)$, Idaho Code, and that is registered pursuant to section $49-402\,(3)$, Idaho Code, shall not be required to obtain a restricted license plate pursuant to section $49-402\,(4)$, Idaho Code. A motorbike, all-terrain vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or utility type vehicle operated exclusively off-highway or on highways located on state lands or federal lands which are not part of the highway system of the state of Idaho and that meet the registration requirements specified in this section shall not be required to obtain a restricted vehicle license plate pursuant to section $49-402\,(4)$, Idaho Code.
- (4) Nonresidents shall be allowed to purchase a restricted vehicle license plate pursuant to section 49-402(4), Idaho Code, and/or a sticker number certificate for an all-terrain vehicle, motorbike or utility type vehicle.
- SECTION 11. That Section 67-7123, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- RESTRICTED VEHICLE LICENSE PLATE. The purchaser of an all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle or motorbike, which has been previously registered issued a number certificate pursuant to section 67-7122, Idaho Code, and issued a restricted vehicle license plate pursuant to section 49-402, Idaho Code, shall within fifteen (15) days after acquiring same, make application to the county assessor or county motor vehicle office as may be designated by the county assessor for transfer to him of the sticker of registration number certificate and restricted vehicle license plate issued to the vehicle, giving the same information as on the original application and the number of the registration sticker number certificate and restricted vehicle license plate, and shall at the same time pay a transfer fee of one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50).

SECTION 12. That Section 67-7124, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-7124. NONRESIDENT -- EXEMPTION. (1) The provisions of section 67-7122, Idaho Code, regarding registration number certificates shall not apply to any nonresident owner; provided the all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or motorbike is currently and properly registered or numbered in the state of the owner's residence. Owners of an all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or motorbike from states that do not have a registration or numbering requirement shall be registered numbered in Idaho under the provisions of section 67-7122, Idaho Code, prior to operation in this state.

(2) Nonresidents with an all-terrain vehicle, utility type vehicle, specialty off-highway vehicle or motorbike registered <u>or numbered</u> in another state shall have the same use privileges and responsibilities as a resident of this state with a properly registered or numbered vehicle.

SECTION 13. That Section 67-7125, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7125. NOISE ABATEMENT. (1) Except as hereinafter provided, every vehicle subject to registration numbering under section 67-7122, Idaho Code, shall comply with the provisions of this section. Every vehicle subject to the provisions of this section shall at all times be equipped with an exhaust system in good working order and in constant operation. If the vehicle was originally equipped with a noise suppressing system or if the vehicle is required by law or regulation of this state or the federal government to have a noise suppressing system, that system shall be maintained in good working order. No person shall disconnect, modify or alter any part of that system in any manner which will amplify or increase the vehicle's noise emission above the noise limits established in subsection (3) of this section, except temporarily in order to make repairs, replacements or adjustments. No person shall operate and no owner shall cause or permit to be operated any vehicle while the vehicle's noise emission exceeds the noise limits established in subsection (3) of this section or while the vehicle's noise suppressing system is disconnected, modified or altered in violation of the provisions of this section.
- (2) No person shall operate a vehicle subject to the provisions of this section unless that vehicle is equipped with a spark arrester device, affixed to the exhaust system, of a type qualified and rated by the United States forest service. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to vehicles being operated off the highway in an organized racing or competitive event which is conducted on private land with the consent of the landowner.
- (3) Any vehicle subject to the provisions of this section shall at all times be equipped with a noise suppressing system or other device which limits noise emission to a base level of not more than ninety-six (96) decibels when measured on the "A" scale using standards and procedures established by the society of automotive engineers (SAE), specifically SAE standard J1287, June, 1988, describing a test of a stationary vehicle with sound measured twenty (20) inches and forty-five (45) degrees from the exhaust outlet, or as otherwise described. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to vehicles being operated off the highway in an organized racing or com-

petitive event which is conducted on private land with the consent of the landowner or on public land under permit.

- (a) The department shall adopt regulations in accordance with chapter 52, title 67, Idaho Code, establishing the test procedures and instrumentation to be utilized. These procedures shall incorporate requirements for the test site environment and sound measuring equipment as set forth in SAE standard J1287, June, 1988.
- (b) Instrumentation shall include but not be limited to a sound level meter meeting the type 1, type S1A, type 2, or type S2A requirements of the American national standards institute (ANSI) specification for sound level meters, S1.4-1983; a sound level calibrator, microphone wind screen, external engine speed tachometer.
- (4) A showing that the noise emission level of any vehicle subject to and not otherwise exempt from the provisions of this section exceeds ninety-six (96) decibels, as described and tested in subsection (3) of this section, shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of subsection (1) of this section.

SECTION 14. That Section 67-7126, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7126. ESTABLISHMENT OF ACCOUNT -- DISTRIBUTION OF FEES. There is established in the state treasurer's office an account to be known and designated as the "motorbike recreation account." The twelve dollar (\$12.00) fee collected for off-highway vehicle registration stickers number certificates shall be allocated as follows:
- (1) Vendors shall charge and retain one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) for a handling fee;
- (2) Up to fifteen percent (15%) shall be allotted to the department for administration and for the production of registration number certificates and validation stickers, which moneys shall be placed in the motorbike recreation account. The department shall annually publish a report specifically identifying the uses of account moneys;
- (3) One dollar (\$1.00) shall be deposited into the off-highway vehicle law enforcement fund. Moneys in said fund shall be paid and used as follows:
 - (a) Sheriffs of counties with a current or an actively developing off-highway vehicle law enforcement program recognized by the department shall receive moneys from the fund based upon a formula as provided in rule promulgated by the board; and
 - (b) Moneys from the fund shall be used only for off-highway related law enforcement activities; and
- (4) One dollar (\$1.00) shall be allocated to the Idaho department of lands to provide off-highway vehicle opportunities and to repair damage directly related to off-highway vehicle use. The department of lands shall annually publish a report specifically identifying the uses of moneys allocated pursuant to this subsection; and
- (5) The remaining funds shall be transmitted to the state treasurer's office for deposit to the credit of the motorbike recreation account, all such moneys to be transmitted to the state treasurer on or before the tenth day of each month.

1 Collection of fees for off-highway vehicle registration number certificates 2 shall not impose any additional liability on the state of Idaho or any of its 3 political subdivisions or upon the employees of the state and of its polit-4 ical subdivisions, and those entities and persons shall retain the limita-5 tions of liability provided by section 36-1604, Idaho Code, regardless of 6 the use of such fees.

SECTION 15. The department and the board are hereby authorized and directed to adopt and/or amend rules necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

SECTION 16. That Section 67-7003, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-7003. DEFINITIONS. In this chapter:

- (1) "Actual physical control" means being in the operator's position of the vessel with the motor running or with the vessel moving.
- (2) "Aids to navigation" means such buoys, batons, markers or other fixed objects in the water which are established and used to mark obstructions or to direct navigation through separate channels.
- (3) "Authorized vendor" means a retail/commercial enterprise or government office authorized by the department to sell certificates of registration number as provided in section 67-7008, Idaho Code.
- (4) "Boating law administrator" means the staff person of the Idaho department of parks and recreation appointed by the director and who supervises the boating program.
- (5) "Commercial vessel" means any vessel used in the carriage of any person, persons or property for a valuable consideration, whether directly or indirectly flowing to the owner, partner, agent or any other person interested in the vessel.
 - (6) "Department" means the Idaho department of parks and recreation.
- (7) "Director" means the director of the Idaho department of parks and recreation.
- (8) "Float house" means a floating structure which is designed and built to be used, or is modified to be used, as a stationary waterborne residential dwelling, has no mode of power of its own, is dependent for utilities upon a continuous utility linkage to a source originating on shore, and has a permanent continuous connection to a sewage system on shore.
- (9) "Float tube" means any vessel constructed of canvas, nylon or other material encasing an inflatable inner tube which allows the operator to sit inside with his legs dangling below the vessel.
- (10) "Length of vessel" means the distance measured at the centerline at the highest point above the waterline from the fore-part of the outer hull at the bow to the aft-part of the outer hull at the stern, excepting any bowsprits, railings or extraneous or additional equipment.
- (11) "Manufacturer" means any person who is engaged in the business of manufacturing or importing new and unused vessels for the purpose of sale or trade.
- (12) "Operate" means to navigate or otherwise use a vessel on the water of this state.

- (13) "Operator" means any person who controls the direction or propulsion of any vessel on the water of this state.
- (14) "Owner" means any person having a property interest in or entitled to the use or possession of a vessel, including a person entitled to use or possession subject to the interest in another person reserved or created by agreement and securing payment of performance of an obligation, but not including a lessee under lease not intended as security.
 - (15) "Passenger" means every person carried aboard a vessel other than:
 - (a) The owner or his representative;
 - (b) The operator;

- (c) A bona fide member of the crew engaged in the business of the vessel who has contributed no consideration for carriage and who is paid for his services; or
- (d) Any guest on board a vessel which is used exclusively for pleasure purposes who has not contributed any consideration directly or indirectly for his carriage.
- (16) "Person" means any individual, firm, partnership, corporation, company, association, joint stock association, or body politic, except the United States and the state of Idaho, and includes any agent, trustee, executor, reserve assignee or similar representative of any of the above.
- (17) "Personal watercraft" means a small vessel which uses an outboard motor or an inboard motor powering a water jet pump as its primary source of power and is designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing or kneeling on, rather than in the conventional manner of sitting or standing inside the vessel.
- (18) "Private label merchandiser" means any person engaged in the business of selling or distributing, under his own trade name, vessels manufactured by another.
- (19) "Regatta," "Race," "Marine Event," "Tournament," or "Exhibition" means an organized water event of limited duration which is conducted according to a prearranged schedule.
- (20) "Regulatory markers" means any fixed or anchored aid to navigation which is established and used, but is not limited to, the bathing beach markers, speed zone markers, information markers, swimming or diving markers, floating mooring buoys, fishing buoys or markers for ski courses or jumps.
- (21) "Rules of the road" means the statutory and regulatory rules governing the navigation of vessels as published by the United States Coast Guard in Navigational Rules International -- Inland.
- (22) "Vessel" means every description of watercraft, including a seaplane on the water, used or capable of being used as a means of transportation on water, but does not include float houses, diver's aids operated and designed primarily to propel a diver below the surface of the water, and nonmotorized devices not designed or modified to be used as a means of transportation on the water, such as inflatable air mattresses, single inner tubes, and beach and water toys.
- (23) "Water of this state" means any waters in the state of Idaho over which the state has jurisdiction.
- SECTION 17. That Section 67-7008A, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-7008A. ADDITIONAL FEES -- DEPOSIT INTO INVASIVE SPECIES FUND. (1) In addition to any other moneys or fees collected pursuant to the provisions of section 67-7008, Idaho Code, or any other provision of chapter 70, title 67, Idaho Code, all vessels shall pay an additional fee each calendar year as follows:

(a) Motorized vessels and sailboats:

- (i) Ten dollars (\$10.00) per vessel registered numbered in the state of Idaho prior to launch into the public waters of the state;
- (ii) Twenty-two dollars (\$22.00) per vessel documented through the United States coast guard or registered <u>or numbered</u> outside the state of Idaho prior to launch into the public waters of the state.
- (b) Nonmotorized vessels: Seven dollars (\$7.00) per vessel prior to launch into the public waters of the state.
- (c) Licensed outfitters, as defined in section 36-2102 (b), Idaho Code, with nonmotorized fleets exceeding five (5) vessels shall be afforded a prorated group rate of thirty-two dollars (\$32.00) for six (6) to ten
- (10) vessels; fifty-seven dollars (\$57.00) for eleven (11) to twenty
- (20) vessels; and one hundred two dollars (\$102) for twenty-one (21) or more vessels up to a maximum of one hundred (100) vessels. The fee for any additional vessels shall be one dollar (\$1.00) per vessel. The licensed outfitter group rates shall also be available for groups exempt from licensing pursuant to section 36-2103, Idaho Code.
- (2) Upon payment of the fee as provided in this section, the payor shall be issued a protection against invasive species sticker that shall be displayed on the vessel in a manner as prescribed by the rules of the department. Stickers shall be considered in full force and effect through December 31 of the year of issue.
 - (3) Fees shall be collected by the department or authorized vendor.
 - (a) Vendors may retain one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) of fees collected pursuant to this section except those collected pursuant to subsection (1) (a) (i) of this section.
 - (b) The department shall retain up to twenty percent (20%) of the fees for the actual costs of administering the sticker program.
 - (c) All remaining fees collected pursuant to this section shall be deposited in the invasive species fund established in section 22-1911, Idaho Code.
 - (d) For the purpose of this section, "vessel" is defined in section 67-7003(22), Idaho Code. All vessels are subject to the provisions of this section, with the exception of small rafts and other inflatable vessels less than ten (10) feet in length.
- (4) If the protection against invasive species sticker is lost, stolen or destroyed, any sticker remnants shall be returned to the department along with a three dollar (\$3.00) fee for a duplicate sticker.
- (5) A person engaged in the manufacture or sale of vessels may obtain a sticker to be used in the testing or demonstration only of vessels by temporary placement of the protection against invasive species sticker on the vessel tested or demonstrated.

SECTION 18. That Section 67-7010, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

67-7010. UNNUMBERED VESSELS. (1) It shall be unlawful for an owner of a vessel to have such vessel on the waters of the state of Idaho, or for any person to operate or permit the operation of any vessel on the waters of the state of Idaho unless it shall have a current certificate of $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{number}}$ and display a $\frac{\text{registration}}{\text{vessel}}$ number and current validation stickers as provided by law.

SECTION 19. That Section 67-7013, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7013. REMITTANCE OF FEES. (1) There is established in the state treasury an account known as the "State Vessel Account," to which shall be credited:
 - (a) Moneys or fees collected by assessors and authorized vendors, under the provisions of this section and section 67-7008, Idaho Code; and
 - (b) All other moneys as may be provided by law.

- (2) All fees collected by an assessor or authorized vendor under the provisions of section 67-7008, Idaho Code, shall be forwarded to the state treasurer not later than the fifteenth day of the month following the calendar month in which the fees were collected, and the state treasurer shall then pay the moneys collected into the state vessel account and the park and recreation account, as provided in subsection (3) of this section, unless otherwise provided by law.
- (3) Moneys collected shall be deposited eighty-five percent (85%) to the state vessel account, and fifteen percent (15%) to the park and recreation account established in section 67-4225, Idaho Code. The department shall remit the moneys apportioned to county units of government from the state vessel account not later than January 25, April 25, July 25 and October 25 of each year.
- (4) All moneys deposited to the park and recreation account are to be appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses, debts and costs incurred in carrying out the powers and duties of the department as provided in this chapter, and for defraying administrative expenses of the department, including salaries and wages of employees of the department, expenses for traveling, supplies, equipment and other necessary expenses of the department as they relate to administration of this chapter. All claims against moneys apportioned to the park and recreation account shall be expended by the department and certified to the state controller, who shall, upon approval of the board of examiners, draw his warrant against the park and recreation account for all bills and claims allowed by the board. Should the related administrative costs of the department amount to less than the moneys apportioned to the park and recreation account for such purposes, the difference shall be remitted to the state vessel account and then apportioned to all counties with a boating improvement program so that the amount apportioned to each eligible county will be in the same ratio as the county's amount of funds received from the state vessel account during the prior fiscal year by a county bears to the total amounts received during that prior fiscal year by all eligible counties.
- (5) All moneys deposited to the state vessel account and appropriated to the department, shall be apportioned among the counties of the state based

on the designations which the owners make on their application for a certificate of registration number.

- (a) An owner, when purchasing a certificate of registration number, will be allowed to designate, on the appropriate form, a primary and secondary eligible county where his boating activity occurs. The portion of his fees which are appropriated from the state vessel account shall be apportioned to the designated counties, with seventy percent (70%) of those fees apportioned to the primary designated county and thirty percent (30%) apportioned to the secondary designated county.
- (b) Should an owner designate on the appropriate form only one (1) eligible county where his boating activity occurs, the full portion of his fees which are appropriated from the state vessel account shall be apportioned to the designated county.
- (c) Should an owner fail to designate on the appropriate form any eligible county where his boating activity occurs, the full portion of his fees which are appropriated from the state vessel account shall be apportioned to all counties with a boating improvement program so that the amount apportioned to each eligible county will be in the same ratio as the county's amount of funds received from the state vessel account during the prior three (3) month payment period bears to the total amounts received during that prior three (3) month payment period by all eligible counties.
- (6) Only those counties in the state with a boating improvement program, as recognized by the department, shall be eligible to receive moneys from the state vessel account. A "boating improvement program" means that one or more recognized boating facilities are being developed and/or maintained within the county's jurisdiction and/or that the county has or is actively developing a recognized boating law enforcement program.
- (7) Moneys apportioned to the eligible counties shall be placed in and credited to an account which shall be known and designated as the county vessel fund, which shall be used and expended by the board of county commissioners for the protection and promotion of safety, waterways improvement, creation and improvement of parking areas for boating purposes, making and improving boat ramps and moorings, marking of waterways, search and rescue, and all things incident to such purposes including the purchase of real and personal property. The board of county commissioners is also authorized to use and expend funds from the county vessel fund outside the county when the board deems it advisable and for the public good.
- (8) Within sixty (60) calendar days of the end of each county fiscal year, the county clerk shall calculate the ending fund balance of the county vessel fund for that fiscal year. If the ending fund balance is higher than the amount of revenues deposited in the county vessel fund from the state vessel account during that fiscal year, then the difference shall be remitted to the state vessel account within thirty (30) calendar days of that calculation. Moneys remitted to the state vessel account, in accordance with the provisions of this section, shall be apportioned to all counties with a boating improvement program so that the amount apportioned to each eligible county will be in the same ratio as the county's amount of funds received from the state vessel account during the prior county fiscal year bears to the total amounts received during that prior county fiscal year by all eligible

counties. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to specific sums of money in county vessel accounts, for which the county commissioners have given written notice, to the department of parks and recreation of an intention to retain those funds for a specific purpose. The notice shall specify the amount of the funds to be held, indicate the purpose for which the funds shall be utilized and provide the date when the funds will be expended. If an amended notice is not submitted by the county commissioners, moneys not expended or contractually committed by the date stated in the original notice of the board of county commissioners shall revert to the state vessel account for distribution as provided in this subsection. All interest earned on moneys invested from a county vessel fund shall return to the county vessel fund.

SECTION 20. That Section 67-7014, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

- 67-7014. ADMINISTRATIVE FEES FOR VESSELS. (1) An administrative fee of not more than one dollar and fifty cents (\$1.50) may be collected in addition to each vessel license tax collected under the provisions of section 67-7008, Idaho Code.
- (2) When an assessor collects the fees, the administrative fee shall be paid to the county treasurer where the vessel is licensed and be placed in the county current expense fund for the purpose of defraying related administrative costs. The amount of the administrative fee to be collected by an assessor for each vessel shall be set by the respective boards of county commissioners conditioned on the annual budget request of their county assessor for the administration of vessel registration fees.
- (3) When an authorized vendor collects the fees, the administrative fee shall be set and retained by the authorized vendor where the vessel is registered numbered. The administrative fee shall be used to defray related administrative costs.
- SECTION 21. That Section 67-7029, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 67--7029. AGENTS OF THE DEPARTMENT. (1) The assessors of various counties of the state shall be agents of the department and shall perform such duties as are prescribed by law.
- (2) The department may authorize any person to act as agent for the issuance of certificates of registration number. In the event a person accepts such authorization, he shall be assigned a block of vessel numbers, validation stickers and certificates of number, which upon issuance in conformity with law and with any rules of the department shall be valid as if issued directly by an assessor.
- SECTION 22. That Section 67-7040, Idaho Code, be, and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:
- 67-7040. APPLICATION TO CERTAIN VESSELS. (1) The provisions of the vessel titling act shall apply to every 2000 and newer model year vessel upon transfer of ownership, and optionally to all other vessels of a model year

prior to 2000, effective on and after January 1, 2000, even though vessels need not be registered under the provisions of chapter 4, title 49, Idaho Code. Vessels shall be issued a certificate of registration number as provided in section 67-7008, Idaho Code.

- (2) The provisions of the vessel titling act shall apply exclusively to vessels with a permanently attached mode of propulsion, such as: an inboard motor, sail, personal watercraft, or other propelling machinery, and all vessels over twelve (12) feet regardless of mode of propulsion, except: rowboats, driftboats, canoes, kayaks, inflatable vessels, rafts, barges, non-motorized paddle vessels, sailboards, tenders, seaplanes, documented vessels, and vessels owned by the United States or a foreign state or political subdivision.
- (3) Once titled, the vessel remains a titled vessel, and is subject to the requirements of chapter 5, title 49, Idaho Code.

SECTION 23. SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this act are hereby declared to be severable and if any provision of this act or the application of such provision to any person or circumstance is declared invalid for any reason, such declaration shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions of this act.